

1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to
3 express their sincere condolences to the family and friends
4 of Merl E. Bottrell, who passed away on April 4, 2001; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Bottrell was born on December 13, 1931 in
6 Decatur, Illinois to George and Esther Bottrell; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Bottrell was a member of Berea Christian
8 Church, where he served as a superintendent, Sunday school
9 teacher, and deacon for many years; he farmed in the Mount
10 Auburn area his entire life; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Bottrell was a member of the Kedron Masonic
12 Lodge 340 AF & AM, where he served as master and was
13 treasurer for many years; he was also awarded honorary
14 memberships in the Masonic Lodges in Harristown,
15 Morrisonville, and Edinburg, and was a certified lodge
16 instructor since 1990; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Bottrell was also a member of the
18 Springfield Consistory, ATA 331 of Mount Auburn, a trustee of
19 Mosquito Township Cemetery for 16 years, a member of
20 Christian County Farm Bureau, a member of the
21 Niantic-Harristown School Board, and the Central Christian
22 Church; Mr. Bottrell also proudly served in the United States
23 Army during the Korean War; and

24 WHEREAS, The passing of Merl E. Bottrell will be deeply
25 felt by all who knew and loved him, especially his wife,
26 Kathryn; his son, George (wife, Jackie) Bottrell; his
27 daughter, Arlene Doyle; his grandson, Casey Doyle; his
28 brother, George Dean (wife, Ruth) Bottrell; his niece; his
29 nephew; and his many cousins; therefore, be it

30 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL
31 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with

1 all who knew him, the death of Merl E. Bottrell of Blue
2 Mound, Illinois; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
4 presented to the family of Merl E. Bottrell with our sincere
5 condolences.